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Beginning Early.

The Register yesterday printed a Democratic forecast of the presidential election which, with its usual capacity for blundering, or its well-known penchant for misrepresentation, it credited to the alleged perspicacity of Senator John K. Jones, chairman of the National Democratic Committee. Senator Jones, with all his faults, cannot be charged with such a wild guess as he was made to father by the Register. That mendacious paper said: "Numbers of Republican statesmen and newspapers have prepared forecasts of the coming presidential election, showing that McKinley is to be a sure winner in the electoral college by many votes. It is only fair to give a Democratic version of the coming event, prepared by Senator John K. Jones, chairman of the National Democratic Committee."

Then follows a table which gives Bryan 196 votes in the electoral college, "sure," and McKinley 168 votes "sure," with eighty-three votes "doubtful." Among the doubtful states are New York, Indiana, Ohio and Minnesota. But we have not so much to say of the ridiculous forecast as we have of the Register's attempt to saddle it on to Chairman Jones. The Register, after crediting the compilation to Mr. Jones, quotes some comments on the political situation, which it likewise claims were the utterances of the inoffensive Jones. The truth is that Mr. Jones never gave out the forecast, nor did he say anything on the subject. The Register got its information from the New York World of Tuesday, which said: "Senator John K. Jones, chairman of the National Democratic Committee, refused to be quoted by the World as predicting the way the states will vote for President next November, but the following estimate by states is from quite an authoritative source, and shows the conservative expectations of the Bryan managers. It answers the figures in today's World given by Representative Grosvenor, the spokesman and official prophet of the McKinley party."

After giving the table the World account goes on to say, "You see," said the Democratic leader, "I concede, for the sake of argument, all the Pacific coast states to McKinley because on the western coast to the Imperialist policy is strongest, etc." These feeble remarks the Register also charges up to Chairman Jones who was entirely innocent of perpetrating them on a gullible public. It is a little early in the season, but you may always count on the Register stating what is not true in a political sense. In this respect its habits are irrevocably formed.

Exportation of Manufactures.

One of the most prominent features of the present prosperity this country is enjoying is the growth in the exportation of manufactures. It continues to be one of the marvelous features of the export trade of the United States, which in the nine months ending with March, 1900, reached the unprecedented sum of \$1,053,320,650, and thus promises to be fully \$1,200,000,000 in the fiscal year which ends sixty days hence. Of this large exportation, more than 30 per cent was manufactures, against 26 per cent in the corresponding months of the fiscal year 1899 and 23 per cent during the same months of the fiscal year 1898. For the month of March alone the exports of manufactures amounted to \$44,767,139, which is far greater than the total for any preceding month in our history, that of March, 1899, being \$35,109,231, March, 1898, \$28,214,540, March, 1897, \$25,874,469, and for March, 1896, \$19,125,725, the exports of manufactures in March, 1900, being thus more than double those of March, 1896, only four years earlier.

For the nine months ending with March, 1900, the exports of manufactures were \$133,278,958, against \$162,187,935 for the nine months ending with March, 1899, the total for the entire period having thus nearly doubled in that time. For the full fiscal year it now seems probable that the total exports of manufactures will considerably exceed \$100,000,000, while the total for the fiscal year 1899, was \$338,675,558, for 1897, \$277,285,291, and for 1895, \$213,595,743.

This increase is found in almost every important line of manufactures. Scientific instruments show an increase in the nine months in question of from \$3,071,755 to \$4,750,474; fibre manufactures increased from \$1,901,155 to \$3,049,567; chemicals from \$7,953,218 to \$9,674,760; paraffine from \$5,050,575 to \$6,874,653; agricultural implements from \$6,632,338 to \$9,663,787; leather and manufactures of from \$17,068,896 to \$20,722,432; copper from \$26,644,957 to \$40,536,889; and iron and steel from \$47,212,975 to \$55,912,155. Thus iron and steel, de-

spite the enormous advance in price and despite the prediction made when the increase began that this advance in price would reduce exportations, continue to head the list of manufactures exported and will surpass by more than \$20,000,000 the enormous figures of last year and show a total considerably greater than \$100,000,000 for the year's export trade in that single line of manufacture.

For Campaign Purposes Only.

Truth is often spoken in jest, and it was with refreshing candor that Col. Nicholas N. Cox, one of the most prominent Democratic members of the house military affairs committee that is investigating the Coeur d'Alene mining troubles, admitted that the investigation was gotten up for Democratic campaign purposes. The colonel did not express himself in exactly those words, but during the exchange of compliments previous to the assembling of the committee, he suggested: "Why not adjourn this meeting over until the next session of Congress. After the campaign is over we'll have no use for this investigation."

The purport of Mr. Lent's resolution, providing for the investigation, was not that he cared so much to relieve the critical situation in Shoshone county, but that he hoped to fabricate a charge of hostility to organized labor on the part of the Republican party, and thus afford Democracy some new material with which to fight the coming campaign. This is very apparent from the nature of the questions that are asked by Representatives Lent and Sulzer, and Attorney Robertson, who are conducting the prosecution of the case.

This also puts in mind of the recent strike at the Croton reservoir in New York, where the troops were called on to preserve the peace. Why did not Mr. Sulzer and the yellow journals of New York city raise the cry of military oppression on that occasion? It is quite different when the trouble occurs in your backyard. Demagogues always go away from home to find an issue.

The Nicaragua Canal.

The passage of the Nicaragua canal bill by the house of representatives on Wednesday, by the tremendous majority of 190 relieves the question of any political color. The vote stood 225 ayes to 35 noes. Members of the house of all political parties were anxious to register their support of the measure, which provides for the construction of the canal by the United States government, which shall control and protect it when completed and appropriate \$10,000,000 with which to commence operations. The cost of the enterprise is limited to \$140,000,000.

That the sentiment of the country is in favor of an inter-oceanic canal cannot be denied. Whether the bill just passed by the house is the best that can be devised, or whether it ought to be and can be amended with advantage are questions for secondary consideration.

In discussing this question an eastern publication, which has been devoting some time to an investigation of the subject, remarks that "the main question is, shall the construction and operation of the canal be undertaken as a national enterprise, under such conditions as will place and keep it under the control of the United States, while at the same time assurance is given that all other civilized nations shall be permitted to participate, on just and equal terms, in all the commercial advantages and privileges which such a great inter-oceanic waterway will afford? We affirm that this question can be rightly answered only in the affirmative and that the reasons for such an answer are cogent, convincing, and conclusive. This proposed waterway between the two greatest oceans which are traversed by the commerce and trade of the whole civilized world, is the one link now needed for the complete bailing of the globe with the speediest, safest and cheapest possible route of water communication and transportation. With this hitherto missing link supplied, all vessels that sail the seas will be able to avail themselves of the most direct and shortest possible route between the opposite sides of the world. All the great and most important marts of trade and all the centers of radiating commerce will be brought nearer to each other, many of them by thousands of miles, than they are to-day. Three-fourths of the whole present commerce of the world, which depends in whole, or in part, on sea service has its high-ways between the 10th and the 60th parallels of latitude north of the equator.

All the important shipping ports and commercial cities of the United States and of England, Germany, France, Russia, in short of all Europe, and of China and Japan are within this belt. For the vast commerce between the eastern and the western hemispheres there is now no continuous waterway, except by its deflection by many thousands of miles southward and around the extreme southern points of Africa and South America, and thence again by an equally long northward route to the several ports of its destination. The Suez Canal has provided a waterway across the eastern half of the world, whereby the long detour voyage via the Cape of Good Hope can be avoided. The Nicaragua Canal will open through the western hemisphere a waterway of greater capacity, more easily accessible, and one that is destined and certain to attract and command a commerce far greater in volume and value than that which now avails itself of the Red Sea route.

With the opening and operating of the Nicaragua Canal will come the uniting, for all purposes of travel and trade, of the Atlantic and the Pacific oceans, making them practically one. Then will follow the working of a very large percentage of the carrying trade between the great European shipping ports and China, Japan and the far east, which now utilizes the Suez Canal, Red Sea and Indian ocean route, to the shorter, more direct and more economical sea-road via the transcontinental American ship canal to the Pacific ocean. London and Liverpool, Hamburg and Bremen and all northern European ports will, by the American canal route, be brought much nearer to Hong Kong and Yokohama than they now are.

The immense advantage to our own American commerce of opening this new water route to the Orient is obvious without argument. The first ten years actual use of the Nicaragua ship canal will save to the business interests of this country alone more than the entire cost of the construction of the work. Regarding it merely from a mercenary view of the proposition, looking at it from a business standpoint, as a money saving and money making enterprise, the speedy construction of the Nicaragua Canal should be advocated by every business man in the United States.

The abuse showered on Congressman Sibley by the Democrats in his district, the Twenty-seventh Pennsylvania, is the highest tribute that has yet been paid him. Sibley, as a sensible man, saw the error of his ways and came over to the Republican party. There is an "open door" for others who are wavering.

When Democratic papers throw themselves into a frenzy over Republican "bosses" and prate about the "machine" do they ever have bad dreams about Col. John T. McGraw, of the city of Grafton, in the county of Taylor?

Every American who opposes the passage of the shipping bill may not wish to favor foreign interests, yet every person desiring to favor foreign at the expense of American interests, opposes the passage of that bill.

The opponents of election to the United States senate by popular vote will take a most unfair advantage if they utilize the Hon. Joe Bailey for horrible example purposes.

April played a mean trick on May. All the bad days it ought to have had are now being unloaded on May.

The Charleston Gazette has dropped into the unfortunate habit of trying to answer Republican arguments.

If the report of Agulnaldo's death is true what a sad job it will be to Bryan.

Keep your eye on Nebraska. It will be in the Republican column in November.

Talking about trusts, what would you do if you were not trusted?

Dewey comes up smiling, while Bryan goes about growling.

May is ringing in a "cold deck."

MEAN TOWNS.

"The meanest place I was ever in," said the man who travels, "is down in Massachusetts. Say, do you know what happened while I was stopping there once? A man had fallen through a hole in a sidewalk and sustained injuries that resulted in the loss of his right arm. He sued the city for damages and the case was tried before a jury, which, the papers said, was composed of representative citizens. Well, what do you suppose they did to him? Brought in a verdict in favor of the city, holding that, inasmuch as he was left-handed, his injury didn't amount to anything."

"Yes," the cigar man said, "that's a pretty mean town, I admit, but I know of a worse one. This place is in Maryland. An acquaintance of mine down there was injured some time ago. In such the same way the man you mentioned lost one of his legs. He sued the city and didn't get anything. I never heard just why, but probably because the jurors didn't believe he needed more than one leg in his business, seeing that he was a barber and could not hold a razor or shave a man with his foot, anyway."

"But wait, I haven't come to the point at which the real meanness developed. Being a poor man, he couldn't afford to buy a cork leg, so he had to get along with a wooden peg, and one day while he was crossing the principal street this peg in some way got wedged between a couple of paving stones right in the middle of the street car tracks. It took them nearly an hour to get him loose, and what do you suppose happened? Blamed if they didn't go and fine him \$10 and costs for obstructing traffic!"

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

The ice in the lemonade isn't always what it is cracked up to be.

Many an otherwise truthful dentist claims to extract teeth without pain.

A desire to attend strictly to one's own business is a difficult art to acquire.

It is permissible for a girl to jump at a proposal of marriage only during a leap year.

Experience is a sort of pocket compass that few people think of consulting until after losing their way.

A girl may mean well when she offers a young man a generous slice of her angel cake, but he is never quite sure of it.

"Much learning maketh a man mad," says one proverb, and another says: "A little learning is a dangerous thing," so what are you going to do about it?—Chicago News.

Song.

Thou art my pretty daffodil
That flutters in the sun;
On every daffodil I look,
Thou art in every one.

Thou art my golden primrose sweet,
My fair and dainty flower;
In every fold I thee behold,
And feel thy fragrant power.

The violet blue, the cowslip, too—
They all remembrance bring;
I surely see a like to thee
In every lovely thing.

Thou art my rose, my lily white,
My marigold and pink;
No pretty bud the field doth stud
But of thee, dear, I think.

Some beauty in them, one and all,
But whippersnappers of thy face,
Thy happy mind, thy gentle soul,
Thy loveliness and grace.

Sing heigh, sing ho, and I will go
-Maying all the year;
And more and more will I adore
The blossoms that appear.

Then ho! arain, and heigh! again;
No winter shall I see,
Since in thy face the bloomy race
Is summer, love, for me.

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NEWSPAPER WAIFS.

An Inquiry.—She—We have a very dramatic preacher. He—Yes? Comedian or tragedian?—Puck.

A school-teacher lately put the question: "What is the highest form of animal life?" "The giraffe," responded a bright member of the class.—Tit-Bits.

A Royal Joke.—"The King is hard up for want of funds." "Yes," he says the money doesn't know enough to come in during the reign."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Early History.—"Adam," said Eve. "You can stay at home evenings now, and take care of the baby, instead of staying out so late at the Simian club." Then it was that Adam began to raise Cain.—Baltimore American.

The Returned Warrior.—"The captain doesn't seem to have much of an appetite in the morning." "No, he is so accustomed, you know, to going out and killing a few Filipinos before breakfast."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Many of Them.—"Have you a family tree?" they asked. She laughed in a calm, supercilious way. "A family tree!" she exclaimed. "One family tree! Why, we have just bought a plantation that has no fewer than eight orchards."—Chicago Evening Post.

"I suppose," said his friend, "you hardly needed your college education to run a paper in such a place as Gory Gulch." "That's where you're wrong," said the college graduate. "I had to play football with some irate subscriber nearly every day."—Philadelphia Record.

The Wolf.—The Chicago man explained that he had moved into the suburbs in order to keep the wolf from the door. "Of course," he hastily added, observing our puzzled looks, "I refer to the figurative wolf more particularly." The literal or actual wolves were indeed more plentiful in the suburbs than they were down town, but less plentiful by far, than the New York newspapers would have one suppose.—Detroit Journal.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

There never was a really great woman in the world who was not ugly.

The average woman doesn't act near as humble in her prayers as she expects her husband to act to her.

Lots of men who are supposed to be men with hoes are only digging bait so they can sneak off and go fishing tomorrow.

When a poor girl refuses a man and he afterward marries a rich one, she will go through life insisting that he did it for spite.

The woman that quarrels with her husband because he sits around the house in his shirt-sleeves, is generally the same one that can never feel really comfortable till she has got her corsets off.—New York Press.

THERE is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only rational cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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POLITICAL.

OFFICIAL CALL.

First District Republican Congressional and Delegate Conventions.

The Republican voters of the First Congressional District are hereby notified that a convention for the purpose of nominating a candidate to represent the said district in the Congress of the United States, to be held at Weston, W. Va., Wednesday, June 6, 1900, beginning at 1 o'clock p. m.

Also a convention for the purpose of selecting two delegates and two alternates to represent the said district in the National Republican Convention, to be held at Philadelphia, Pa., to nominate a candidate for President and Vice President, to be voted for at the ensuing presidential election, will be held at Clarksburg, W. Va., Monday, May 7, 1900, beginning at 3 o'clock p. m.

The basis of representation, to prevent confusion, will be the same as that for the state nominating convention, to-wit: One vote for every one hundred votes cast for G. W. Atkinson for governor in 1896, and one for every fraction of one hundred over.

County committees are requested to provide for the selection of delegates to each of said conventions.

HUGO L. LOOB, Secretary.

REPUBLICAN CALENDAR.

May 7—First Congressional District Delegate Convention, at Clarksburg.

May 8—State Delegate Convention, Fairmont.

June 6—First Congressional District Nominating Convention, Weston.

July 12—State Nominating Convention, Charleston.

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